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CONGRESS HAS SERVED THESE ISLANDS WELL

Much Has Been Done, Despite the Present Failure of the Refunding Bill, and There's Still Hope for That.

(Mail Special to the Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—Congress adjourned last evening at ten o'clock after a most uncomfortable day. Bungling in the engrossing of bills at the Government Printing office delayed the adjournment for nearly nine hours. It was all the more uncomfortable because of the torrid heat, of the last two days, which were decidedly the hottest and most oppressive days of the season.

Delegate Kalaniana'ole and Mr. McClellan are not hurrying out of town as most all others connected with either branch of Congress have been doing, as the earliest steamer they can catch from San Francisco is the Siberia. They were working till the very last on the refunding bill, but it became apparent that Speaker Cannon would not permit it to pass. The only consolation the Hawaiians find in the situation is that the Speaker has not put his foot down squarely and declared that the bill shall not pass. In that they have some encouragement that he will permit it to become law at the next session of Congress.

After all the Territory has little room to find fault at what Congress has done at this session. About \$765,000 of the money appropriated at this session will be spent in Hawaii, and that does not include the appropriation for Honolulu harbor, which was authorized by the last Congress but not appropriated till this winter. Delegate Kalaniana'ole was saying today that the total can but be gratifying to all friends of Hawaii.

The list includes \$250,000 for fortifications in Hawaii; \$200,000 for sites for fortifications; \$150,000 for the purchase of a site for a public building; \$20,000 for filling in Quarantine Island; \$35,000 for filling in the Reef; \$10,000 for a federal law library; \$60,000 for Makapuu lighthouse and \$40,000 for the Honolulu light. The last two items were authorized on the omnibus lighthouse bill passed a few weeks ago. The appropriation for Makapuu light was made on the Sundry Civil bill, but the appropriation for Honolulu light was struck out on that bill. Subsequently, however, it was put into the general deficiency bill and became a law in connection with that measure.

The friends of Hawaii here hope that it will have some influential Congressional visitors during the coming summer. Representative Burton, of Ohio, one of the most influential members of the House and chairman of the River and Harbor Committee, is thinking of going to Honolulu this summer. As there is a probability of a very large River and Harbor Appropriation bill at the next session of Congress, he will have much to say whether Hilo shall have a good appropriation for its breakwater and for the improvement of its harbor.

Representative and Mrs. Dalzell are going to the Pacific coast this summer to visit their daughter at San Rafael. They have been urged to prolong their journey to Honolulu. It has been suggested that it would be well if some of the commercial bodies of Honolulu extended them an invitation to visit that city. Mr. Dalzell some years ago was inclined to be hostile to Hawaiian appropriations but more recently he has been a friend of the Territory and has helped materially with Hawaiian measures. The good effects of having influential members visit the Territory have been seen in the friendly labors of Representative Hepburn, of Iowa, who, since his trip to Honolulu last summer, has had his eyes open to the justice of Hawaii's requests here.

The immigration bill, as was indicated in my last letter would likely happen, died in conference. No efforts were made to take it up. Senator Lodge, one of the conferees, went away to Massachusetts to attend the Harvard Commencement and did not return before adjournment. There will undoubtedly be considerable agitation next autumn about getting the bill out of conference. Opinions differ now as to what will be done. Some think the bill will never be brought out. Undoubtedly Senator Lodge, as an advocate of the educational test, will seek some action. He is, however, entirely friendly to making exception whereby the educational test will not be made to apply to Hawaii.

ERNEST G. WALKER.

W. J. LOWRIE SUES THE CASTLES FOR A LARGE SUM

W. J. Lowrie, formerly manager of the Ewa Plantation and later of the Hawaiian Commercial plantation, has brought suit against James B. Castle, William B. Castle, The Castle Estate and H. P. Baldwin for damages amounting to \$309,000.

Mr. Lowrie is now manager of a sugar plantation in Porto Rico. The suit has been brought in the Superior Court of Suffolk County, Boston, Mass., where service was made a couple of weeks ago on W. R. and J. B. Castle.

R. D. Silliman, formerly of the Honolulu bar and now practicing in New York city, is attorney for Mr. Lowrie. The gist of the claim is that the defendants induced the plaintiff to become the manager of the Hawaiian Commercial plantation on Maui at a salary of \$12,000 a year and that he was later discharged by them without cause four years and a half ago.

The plaintiff also claims that the defendants agreed to sell him \$500,000

worth of Hawaiian Commercial stock at the same price which it had cost the defendants and carry him until he could pay therefor; that by reason of his discharge as manager he was afraid he would be unable to carry the stock and sold at a loss. Since then the stock has largely increased in value and the plaintiff's claim is loss on the stock chiefly the difference in value of the stock at the time he sold it and the present value.

No answer has been yet filed by the defendants and it is not yet known what their course of action will be. It is understood, however, that the defendants deny absolutely that there is any justice in the plaintiff's claim and cite the fact that he has waited nearly five years without even notifying them of any claim and before bringing the suit, and to the stock having trebled in value as evidence of the animus in the suit. They claim that Mr. Lowrie was not engaged as manager of the Hawaiian Commercial plantation.

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THE PRECINCT CLUBS NAME TICKETS

Some Hot Battles Are Promised at Elections Next Week.

Judging from results as they came in, there was a tendency shown by good citizens to attend the Republican Precinct Club meetings held last night to nominate officers for the clubs to be voted for next Friday night. This was but the preliminary step in party politics. Of course it does not amount to a great deal who are nominated for Precinct Club officers. The first real test of strength as between the reputable element and the machine will come when the officers of the clubs are elected.

Nevertheless, it is gratifying to know that there were respectable men in attendance at the club meetings, and that the decent element has begun to awaken to the necessity of making its power felt. In many of the clubs, of course, there was no contest, and the old officers were renominated and in due course will be reelected. Then, the readjustment of precinct lines promises to cause a little confusion in club organization, but that will remedy itself.

As to printing the lists of officers nominated, that is out of the question. There were, however, a number of the meetings where lively contests marked the proceedings, and where considerable feeling was shown in behalf of the two factions into which the Republican party is now dividing itself. The police machine was in evidence at these meetings, and so was the Labor-for-Achi machine, which has the interests of Clarence Crabbe in its keeping. Also, the smaller fights for places on the Board of Supervisors were apparent at several of the club meetings.

Of course all these matters will intensify themselves when it comes to the club elections, for which these nominating meetings were but preliminary.

EIGHTH OF THE FIFTH.

In the eighth of the Fifth District, for instance, the police were on hand in large numbers and tried to run the meeting. When a Crabbe man would attempt to make a speech or a nomination, he would be howled at and an attempt would be made to talk him down. Nevertheless, two tickets were placed in nomination here, and the battle next Friday night promises to be a lively one. The meeting was held at Pat Silva's residence, Liliha and School streets, and there were at least 250 persons present.

The Brown ticket nominated here was: Sol. Kalelepu, president; D. Kama, first vice president; J. Kapono, second vice president; Abraham Kau-lukou, secretary; Henry Hanakahi, assistant secretary; N. Fernandez, treasurer; Kalei Aona, A. Fernandez and C. Doudolt, judges; Morono Hulu, H. J. Auld, P. C. Lane, J. W. Kawalea and S. C. Dwight, executive committee.

The Crabbe ticket was: S. M. Pulehu, president; William Laa, first vice president; Levi Nakea, second vice president; P. Silva, secretary.

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PLANTATIONS TO SAVE MONEY

The Hawaiian Commercial Company, the Maui Agricultural Company and the Kihikihi plantations have made a new contract with the Union Oil Company of California for fuel oil.

Under the terms of the contract they will secure from June 8, fuel oil at one dollar per barrel delivered on Maui instead of \$1.40 per barrel, which has been the price heretofore.

The new arrangement will mean a saving to the plantations mentioned of between \$40,000 and \$50,000 per year.

Mr. Lake, formerly manager of the Alexander Young Hotel, is now in the hardware business at San Francisco.

WILL HANDLE HAWAIIAN FRUITS

Coast Company to Make Specialty of Our Products.

Fred W. Dickson was one of the arriving passengers on the S. S. Siberia yesterday, his mission to Hawaii being of the greatest importance to those engaged in diversified industries.

Mr. Dickson is the president of the Pacific Distributing company, of San Francisco, recently incorporated for the specific purpose of handling Hawaiian products and acting as agents for fruit growers, coffee men and the shippers of sisal, rubber and all products of the Hawaiian small farmer and agriculturalists. This is the first mainland commission house organized for the exclusive handling of Hawaiian products, outside of the plantation interests, and the personnel of the company is such that perfect confidence in it can be placed by our shippers.

The company is, in fact, an offshoot from the firm of Alexander & Baldwin. Wallace Alexander, the San Francisco manager of the Alexander & Baldwin interests, is vice-president of the new company, W. Cooke is a heavy stockholder and the manager will be Paxton Wright, heretofore the San Francisco buyer for the parent firm.

The Pacific Distributing company's headquarters are at 308 California street, San Francisco, and already they have formed connections in all the principal cities of the West as far into the interior as Denver, Colorado. These connections will enable them to place all consignments of fruit without delay and will also enable them to keep the fruit consignors in touch with the demands of the market and the probable price they may expect for their shipments.

"What we are expecting to do," said Mr. Dickson, "is to so work up the market for our products as to sell prior to arrive, a considerable advantage over the ordinary consignment system upon which Hawaiian shippers have been depending. That is, we expect to have orders on file for all fruit consignments before they reach us, and even before they are shipped."

"To do this it will be necessary for the fruit growers or the coffee growers here to keep us informed as to what they will have to market. If the various growers in Hawaii would combine for their selling it would be of great advantage to them in arranging their sales this way and they would also secure better prices."

"We are after the Hawaiian business and believe that we have the necessary knowledge of conditions and business to make it of advantage for those engaged in diversified industries here to place their selling and buying in our hands."

"We are going to try and work up the Hawaiian banana trade, but will have to go slowly at it at first. Outside of the difficulty of transportation there seems little reason why Hawaiian bananas should not have the Californian market. At the present time this whole trade goes to Guatemala, and the same is true of Washington and Oregon."

Mr. Dickson will remain in Hawaii (Continued on Page 4.)

KUHIO IS VERY COY ABOUT HIS CANDIDACY

On the Siberia yesterday Delegate Kuhio arrived home from Washington, and was met by a delegation of friends and politicians at the dock and covered with leis. The Delegate, according to the afternoon papers, was somewhat coy as to expressing himself concerning his candidacy for reelection.

"If they want me," he is reported to have said, when asked if he would again become a candidate.

Alex. Robertson, by the way, is on Tantalus. The Delegate explained with much amplitude the work that had been done for Hawaii during the past session of Congress.

BRITISH FLEET POSTPONES ITS CRONSTADT CALL

It Is Decided to Await a More Propitious Time to Send the Ships to the Great Russian Naval Station.

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

ST. PETERSBURG, July 14.—The proposed visit of the British fleet to Cronstadt has been postponed to a more propitious time. SHIPOFF DECLINES.

The Czar has offered the Premiership to Shipoff, who has declined it.

MANY ESTATES DESTROYED.

Fifteen large estates in the provinces have been destroyed by peasants.

UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT AT ASSASSINATION.

WARSAW, July 14.—An unsuccessful attempt was made last night to assassinate General Schwieckowsky. The wife of the officer was wounded.

RUSSIAN TORPEDO BOAT SINKS.

HELSINGFORS, Finland, July 14.—During the maneuvers of the Russian Baltic fleet, a torpedo boat struck a mine and sank. The crew was saved.

ASSASSIN WAS A GIRL.

SEBASTOPOL, July 13.—The authorities have ascertained that the assassin of the late Admiral Chouknin was a girl disguised as a sailor. She has not been apprehended.

The visit of the British fleet to Russian waters was a part of the plan formed by King Edward of England to demonstrate to the world that an entente had been established between the Czar and Great Britain, the more effectually to emphasize that isolation of Germany which is a part of the English diplomacy of today. The disorders in Russia, however, have evidently upset this part of the plans.

With reference to the proposed visit of the British fleet to Cronstadt Sir Edward Grey, British foreign secretary, said in a speech in the House of Commons on July 4th, that he felt assured that the central government of Russia was neither aware nor had connived at the recent unfortunate occurrences. No interference from the outside world would strengthen a reform party, but rather reactionaries or revolutionists.

As a British fleet was in the Baltic last year and had not visited Russian ports, it would be remarkable if a fleet should not do so this year. He hoped the usual civilities would be observed. It would be impossible to make a change now without giving rise to the suspicion that Great Britain was taking sides. The visit would be in friendly spirit, to pay compliments to Emperor Nicholas and the Russian nation.

Sir Edward said he could not imagine the Russian Parliament interpreting the visit as taking sides.

WALLS OF THE VATICAN SAID TO BE CRUMBLING

ROME, July 14.—It has been discovered that the walls of the Vatican are crumbling, and the Pope is moving his apartments pending the repair of the palace. It is estimated that it will cost ten thousand dollars to put the building in safe condition.

The Vatican Palace dates back to 1447, when its reconstruction on a large scale was commenced by Nicholas V. Succeeding Popes have added to it, the present building being the product of a score of architects of as many ages. The palace is the dwelling place of the Pope, some of the later Popes refusing to set foot without its walls. Besides containing the private living apartments of the Pope, the Palace has immense reception halls, a series of chapels, libraries, picture galleries and sculpture museums. The art treasures of the Vatican include the originals of many of the world-famous statuary groups and paintings.

THE REBELS IN BRAZIL ARE MARCHING ON RIO

LONDON, July 14.—It is reported that the Brazilian revolution is spreading, and that the rebels have captured several cities. They are now marching on Rio Janeiro. In a battle with the rebels, the federals had four thousand killed.

Secretary of State Root would seem to be due for an interesting time, if it should happen that he arrived at Rio Janeiro to attend the Pan-American Congress at about the time the city was assaulted by a rebel army. The experience, however, would be typical of Latin-America.

FRENCH DEPUTIES RIOT OVER DREYFUS MATTER

PARIS, July 14.—The utmost disorder followed the passage by the Chamber of Deputies of the bill for the rehabilitation of Dreyfus.

UNDER SECRETARY WOUNDED IN DUEL.

Under Secretary of State Sarraut has been dangerously wounded in a sword duel with Deputy Piaglesiconi.

The afternoon cables yesterday carried the information that the French Chamber of Deputies had passed a bill promoting Dreyfus to the rank of major, and restoring Colonel Picquart to the army.

GERMAN LIBERAL LEADER DEAD.

BERLIN, July 14.—Sateler, the Liberal leader, is dead.